



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

Patty Ritchie

## Ritchie Announces Second Round of Funding for Area Libraries

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### **Brings Total to Over \$160,000 in Aid for Libraries in**

### **Oswego, Jefferson and St. Lawrence Counties**

State Senator Patty Ritchie is announcing she has secured a second round of special funding, bringing the total of aid she delivered to libraries in Oswego, Jefferson and St. Lawrence Counties to more than \$160,000.

The most recent round of \$76,000 in special funding will be split between 24 area libraries and builds upon an additional \$85,000 in aid announced by Senator Ritchie in June, as well as a \$4 million increase in state budget aid for libraries statewide.

“As summer draws to a close and students return to the classroom, many turn their focus towards getting back to the books,” said Senator Ritchie, who serves on the recently re-formed State Senate Select Committee on Libraries.

“Our area’s libraries are an outstanding educational resource, not only for students but adults as well. I am thrilled to be able to provide this funding, which will go a long way towards increasing access to educational opportunities, entertainment, job-search tools and so much more at the many libraries throughout our region.”

There are more than 7,000 public libraries in New York State, including over 50 public libraries in Oswego, Jefferson and St. Lawrence Counties—one of the largest concentrations of public libraries in any Senate district in the state. The libraries receiving special funding are as follows:

**Oswego County**

Hannibal Free Library	\$5,000
Mexico Public Library	\$3,000
Annie Porter Ainsworth Memorial Library	\$2,500
Fulton Public Library	\$5,000
Central Square Library	\$3,000

**Jefferson County**

Bodman Memorial Library	\$3,000
Lyme Free Library	\$1,500
Henderson Free Library	\$3,000
Adams Free Library	\$2,000
Adams Center Free Library	\$2,000
Brownville-Glen Park Library Association	\$2,000
Dexter Free Library	\$1,500
Thousand Island Park Library	\$1,000
Rodman Public Library	\$1,500
Hawn Memorial Library	\$3,000
Roswell P. Flower Memorial Library	\$5,000

**St Lawrence County**

Rennsselear Falls Public Library	\$3,000
Ogdensburg Public Library	\$5,000
Canton Free Library	\$5,000
Reading Room Association of Gouverneur	\$5,000
Hepburn Library of Edwards	\$3,000
Heuvelton Free Library	\$5,000
Morley Library	\$3,000
Hepburn Library of Waddington	\$3,000